

REMARKS

Claims 102-144 and 148-166 were pending and examined in this application. These claims are re-presented without amendment for reconsideration.

Claims 103, 104, 108-131, 138, 141, 144, 149-152, and 163-166 have been objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. The rest of the pending claims have been rejected under nonstatutory double patenting rejections.

Double Patenting Rejections

Claims 102, 105-107, 132-137, 139, 140, 142, 143, 148, and 153-162 have been rejected under the judicially created doctrine of double patenting over claim 1 of U.S. Patent Pub. No. 2002/0089735 by Albert *et al.* (U.S. Serial No. 10/058,444) in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,914,805 to Crowley, U.S. Patent Pub. No. 2002/0018042 by Albert *et al.* (U.S. Patent No. 6,445,374), and U.S. Patent No. 6,172,798 to Albert *et al.*

Without acquiescing to the nonstatutory double patenting rejections raised in the Office action, Applicants submit a terminal disclaimer with this paper in the interest of advancing the prosecution. The terminal disclaimer complies with 37 CFR 1.321(c). Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that the terminal disclaimer overcomes the double patenting rejections over any of the pending claims and request the withdrawal of all the rejections.

Drawing Objections

In response to the objections over the drawings, a set of formal drawings are submitted with this paper.

Summary

Claims 102-144 and 148-166 are pending in the Application.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider the application and claims in light of the foregoing remarks, and respectfully submit that the claims are in condition for

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allowance. If, in the Examiner's opinion, a telephonic interview would expedite the favorable prosecution of the present application, the undersigned attorney would welcome the opportunity to discuss any outstanding issues, and to work with the Examiner toward placing the application in condition for allowance.

The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any additional fees necessitated by this paper to Deposit Account 20-0531.

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